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Paul J. McNulty, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, announced today that Jeremy Averill Stowell, a/k/a "R. Jeremy A. Stowell", a/k/a "Richard J. Stowell" and corporate defendant, Stowell, M.D., P.C., R. Jeremy A., a/k/a "R. Jeremy A. Stowell, M.D., P.C., pled guilty to a three-count criminal information before United States District Court Judge Raymond A. Jackson, for the Eastern District of Virginia.

Jeremy Averill Stowell, age 64 of Virginia Beach, Virginia, faces a maximum term of imprisonment of fifteen years on the two criminal counts of conviction and also faces fines, terms of supervised release and special assessments. Corporate defendant Stowell, M.D., P.C., R. Jeremy A., of Virginia Beach, Virginia, faces a maximum term of five years probation on the two counts of conviction and also faces fines, a term of supervised release and special assessments. Sentencing is scheduled for April 24, 2006, at 2:30 p.m.

Both have already agreed to make full restitution to the Virginia Department of Medical Services for the medicaid fraud in the amount of \$32,928.95 and have agreed to the administrative forfeiture of nearly \$300,000.00 seized and forfeited by the FBI and the DEA as part of this investigation. Doctor Stowell previously agreed to surrender his DEA license and to surrender his Virginia State medical license.

The investigation was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation Norfolk Field Office; the Drug Enforcement Administration, Norfolk; the Drug Enforcement Administration Diversion Unit, out of Richmond and included investigators from the Virginia Beach Police Department and the Virginia State Medicaid Fraud Task Force.

Assistant United States Attorney Kevin M. Comstock of the Norfolk Division handled the case for the U.S. Attorney's Office.

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